

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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WIDTH OF PMGSY ROADS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any request from any States to reduce the width of roads constructed under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY); and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

(a)&(b) The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) guidelines stipulate that the rural roads constructed under PMGSY must meet the technical specifications and geometric design standards given in Rural Roads Manual of IRC (IRC SP:20:2002) and Manual for design of low Volume Roads (IRC:SP:72-2007). Further, this Ministry had constituted an Expert Committee to review the geometric design standards in plain and hill areas under PMGSY for achieving economy in the cost of construction under PMGSY, and the final recommendations of the Expert Committee have been accepted by the Ministry and circulated to all the States on 30th September, 2010 for implementation. An extract of the recommendations of the Expert Committee is given at Annexure.